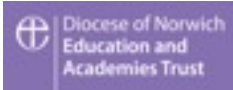


THE FRIENDS OF GOODERSTONE ACADEMY EVENTS

FRIENDS OF GOODERSTONE CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY ACADEMY

The Friends of Gooderstone School is a committee of parents, teachers and community members committed to supporting the work of Gooderstone Primary School.



26th January 2017

Dear Parents and Carers

Wow, it really is Term 3 already! Happy new year and welcome back to school everyone. Firstly, we would like to take this opportunity to share some really great news for 2017. We have

SMASHED OUR £1000 FUNDRAISING TARGET!!!

Because of your endless baking, raffle donations, tombola creations, christmas card buying, disco-partying, attendance at our events and general amazing support, we have been able to raise a staggering total of £1448.65 to date! This is just brilliant and we still have more new and different events to come. Please remember that all of this money raised will be used by the school and go **DIRECTLY** to enriching your child(ren)'s learning so we really do all stand to benefit. That said, we also really do know, recognise and appreciate what this takes, so a

BIG, BIG THANK YOU TO YOU ALL!!!

Our Christmas Fair, which was so well attended by you all, was a great success helping to contribute to this latest total. I'm sure none of us will forget the sight of Santa rocking up at school on that motorbike. We hope you enjoyed the event. Huge thanks too, to those of you who bought our Gooderstone Academy bags and tea towels as family keepsakes and Christmas gifts.

So what do we have in store for the coming weeks? From our Easter Fair to our printer cartridge recycling plan, our second hand uniform stall and World Book Day book sale, there will be something for everyone. And to kick things off, we hope that all of you will be able to join us for our School Valentines Disco on **Wednesday 8th February from 5-7pm, Entry £2.50 per child, max £6 per family**. The event will include snack stalls, a tea and coffee zone for parents, a raffle and a children's Tombola so please come along and join us and bring your pennies. We would also be really grateful if you could **donate any unwanted Christmas gifts, raffle items and tombola items**, bringing these to school on Friday 3rd February. Please see the table overleaf for further details of this and all our other events, (one for the fridge!). We look forward to your continued great support in the year ahead and we will also endeavour to send reminders just before each event as we appreciate how much there is to remember.

Finally.....Don't forget we always welcome new members to the committee. Our next meeting will take place in the school hall, on Monday 27th February, after drop off. You don't have to come to meetings to take part, make fundraising suggestions or help at events. Find out more on our Facebook page and school webpage.

Once again thank you for your support!

The Friends

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Date and Time	Event/Activity	Notes
Friday 3rd February Drop off	Tombola Raffle Donations for the Valentines Disco	Get clearing those cupboards!! Please donate any unwanted Christmas gifts, raffle and tombola contributions at drop off.
Wednesday 8th February- 5 - 7pm	School Valentines Disco • raffle prizes • kids tombola • kids snacks • parents tea, coffee and cakes zone	Entry £2.50 per child Max £6 per family Don't forget your pennies for snacks etc.
Friday 24th February Drop off	Book sale donations into school	Good quality, intact books only please.
Monday 27th February 9am	Friends meeting	All welcome
Thursday 2nd March During school day	World Book Day Second Hand book sale	Children - Don't forget to bring your pennies to school on this day! Books will be priced at 20p upwards. Any books not sold on the day will be donated to the school library and the EACH charity.
Ongoing/Daily	Printer Cartridge recycling	Please note this will be an ongoing activity. The launch, and drop off point, will be announced shortly. Please talk to your friends and local businesses and lets see how many cartridges we can turn into money for the school!
Wednesday 29th March After school 3.15-5pm	NEW ***Easter Fair****	We will shortly provide details of this exciting event, which will include: • Easter Bonnet Parade • An Easter bunny appearance • Easter egg hunt • Easter fancy dress competition • Cake competition • Easter egg toss
Wednesday 29th March (Also after school to coincide with the Easter Fair)	Second Hand Uniform Sale	Please start gathering your nearly new and unwanted school clothing (including PE kit) ready for our first exciting sale, to be held before the summer uniform switch over. Details of how to donate items will follow. Clean, good quality items only please, with no rips/tears.
NEW FOR MAY 2017!! watch this space!!!	Family Bingo Night	Details to follow very soon!
TBC Sat or Sun, early July 2017	Summer Fair	The date for this important event in our calendar will be confirmed shortly.